

REMARKS

By this preliminary amendment and in response to the Notice of Omitted Items, a new sheet of drawings showing Figures 3A and 3B has been added. Applicants submit that every feature of Figs. 3A and 3B is schematic and completely described in the application as filed. Accordingly, Applicants submit that no new matter has been added to the specification as Applicants are merely conforming the drawings to the written description.

As explained in paragraph 27 of Applicants' specification, Figs. 3A-3D describe a method of making a trim panel with a multi-shot process in an injection molding machine equipped with two independent injection systems for injecting different types of molten polymers. The written description of the application describes a single mold assembly 40 that includes spaced-apart first and second members. Figs. 3C and 3D, present in the originally filed application, fail to show the first member 42, the mold cavity 52 of the first member 42, and a channel 54 through which molten polymer is injected into a first shot chamber defined between mold cavity 52 and core 50. A person of ordinary skill in the art could have read paragraphs 28 through 34 of Applicants' written description on the date of filing of Applicants' specification with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and have understood the construction of the first member 42, the mold cavity 52, and the channel 54, as shown in Figs 3A and 3B submitted herewith. Such a person of ordinary skill in the art would be aided in this understanding by reviewing Figs. 3C and 3D illustrating the construction of the second member 44 having mold cavity 56 and channel 58. Such a person of ordinary skill in the art would also understand the shape of mold cavity 52 by examining the product 14 of the first shot in the molding process

shown in Fig. 3C. That is, the mold cavity 52 would necessarily be of complementary shape to product 14.

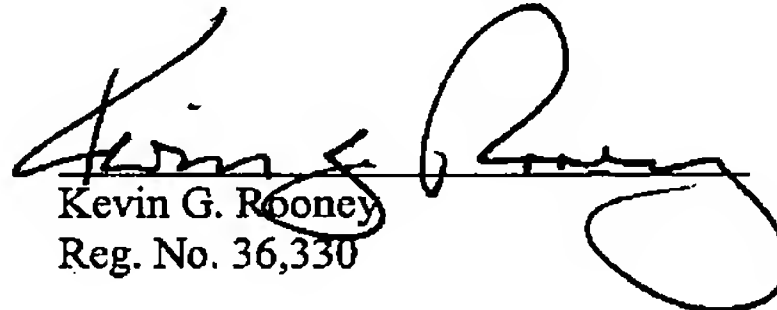
One of ordinary skill in the art would have readily understood that the construction of the first member 42, the mold cavity 52, and the channel 54 would be as shown in Figs. 3A and 3B by review Figs. 3C and 3D and reviewing the written description as filed on September 30, 2004. Therefore, no "new matter" is being introduced by entry of Figs. 3A and 3B.

Entry of this amendment and early favorable consideration of this application is therefore respectfully requested.

Applicants do not believe that any fees are due in connection with this submission. However, if such petition is due or any fees are necessary, the Commissioner may consider this to be a request for such and charge any necessary fees to deposit account 23-3000.

Respectfully submitted,

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